MR. AND MRS. ADAM DUNCAN
... honeymoon after 39 years.

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Prize for Pensioners

'Irish' Ticket No Dream

"Dreamer" awoke yesterday and, while reading her morning Colonist, found she wasn't dreaming after all.

"Dreamer" is the nom-de-plume chosen by Mrs. Adam Duncan, 54, of Langford, when her husband bought an Irish sweepstake ticket.

"Whether we win or lose, we're going to take our first honeymoon after nearly 39 years of marriage," said 67-year-old Mr. Duncan, a burnt-out pensioner.

TELEGRAM MISSING

They didn't know they had drawn a horse until they saw the ticket number and the nom-de-lume in yesterday's Colonist. For some reason, the usual telegram hadn't reached them.

"My, what a delightful surprise it was," said Mrs. Duncan They apparently drew Soir, an outsider.

"We'll go to Scotland for our honeymoon if we win one of the big prizes," Mr. Duncan said. "But we'll settle for a visit to the Prairies, where we used to live, if we just get the $1,500."

LONG TIME AWAY

Mr. Duncan hasn't seen his native Scotland since the First World War, while Mrs. Duncan left England when she was just two years old.

Less happy news came yesterday for naval officer Lieut. Irwin Stutt, 1850 Allenby.

His horse, Top Twenty, was scratched from Saturday's race at Aintree, England. Lieut. Stutt will still receive $1,500.

Seven other tickets held in the Victoria area are still in the running.

Two men with a ticket on Mr. Gay (22-1) are David Kenny, 1927 Quamichan, and W. O. "Ollie" Corbett, 1180 Oliver.

Others are naval photographer LS W. L. McNaughton, 2021 McNeill, Mainstown (40-1); David Anderson, 2428 Fifth Street, Green Drill (100-6); June Houglund, 1626 Gladstone, Royal Tournament (unquoted); Mrs. Mary Vezza, 4060 Hodgson Place, Done Up (100-7); S. J. Thomson, 2502 Blanshard, Done Up, and L. H. Lunn of Sidney, Armorial III (unquoted).

Boy Couldn't Read or Write

Illiterate in Grade 7

Went Up On Size

VANCOUVER (CP) — Fred Gatenby, an 18-year-old illiterate who was sentenced Monday to three years in penitentiary on 53 charges of breaking and entering, reached Grade Seven in school without learning to read or write.

The boy's mother said Tuesday that her son "just decided when he was about seven or eight that he was not going to learn to read or write."

MENTAL BLOCK

"He failed Grade One in a Vancouver school, then, because he was big for his age, he was advanced to Grade Three (in a Burnaby school). . . . This created his mental block."

The mother said teachers "had no time for him" and he learned bad study habits but was advanced anyway. He spent a year in Boys' Industrial School at 14, then was put in Grade Seven. He played truant for a month, then quit.

SOUNDS ABSURD

Burnaby School Superintendent C. J. Frederickson said the story sounded "absurd" to him.

"It was possible three years ago, but we have special classes now for backward or retarded children," he said. "But I would ask you, could you keep a boy of 15 in Grade One until he learned to read and write?"

Bishop Bayne To Preach At Cathedral

Rev. Stephen Bayne, Bishop of the Episcopal Church in Washington State, will conduct four special services next week at Christ Church Cathedral, including a three-hour Good Friday service.

The services will be held Monday to Thursday from 12.15 to 12.40 p.m., followed by a three-hour devotional from noon to 3 p.m. Good Friday.

In his diocese of Olympia, Mr. Bayne leads more than 100 clergymen serving 80 congregations, schools and institutions in most areas of Washington State.

Born in New York, he attended Trinity School, Amherst College and General Theological Seminary, graduating in 1932.

Much of his work has been devoted to developing church marriage laws and teachings, and in inter-church and ecumenical affairs.

Since his graduation, Mr. Bayne has served in Missouri, Massachusetts and New York, and as a chaplain in the U.S. naval reserve. He is also author of six books and many articles and pamphlets.

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